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REVISIONS TO REGULATIONS ON FEDERAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF INDIAN TRIBES (25 CFR 83 OR "PART 83")

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The entire process needs to be fair to all Indigenous communities from coast to coast regardless of broken history and records because this government broke our records and attempted to re-label many of us. Either go by the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples or go back to the rules of 1970 when tribes only had to prove 4 of the criteria. Beyond doing that no revision done to the broken process is going to fix the problems. This revision does not rectify historically documented tribes and their communities, it does not address many of the problems of interference by Federal Tribes derailing the process for the communities applying. It doesn't address individuals or single families who are some of last surviving remnants of tribes whom may have moved or migrated outside of their old territories. It doesn't address the need to end blood quantum. It doesn't allow for the natural and normal progression of tribes to sub-divide. There are so many problems with 25 CFR 83 that it cannot be all addressed in one small revision. I see this revision as only helping a community or some few, not all. If the BIA is really sincere in revamping and re-evaluating the process then I suggest you ignore Federal Tribes that already enjoy recognition and consult with communities that need recognition currently.